

OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN EARL BLUMENAUER
APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM
FISCAL YEAR 2011

Instructions

1. Please complete the entire form. **All fields are required.**
2. Please do not **bold**, underline, or *italicize* responses.
3. Request forms must be submitted as a Word document.
4. All completed request forms and any supplemental materials must be submitted via email to:
Appropriations.Blumenauer@mail.house.gov
5. Please do not send more than one request per email.
6. All completed request forms must be submitted no later than **Friday, February 26, 2010.**
7. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your request within 48 hours of submission, please contact Stephanie Cappa in Congressman Blumenauer's Washington, D.C. office at 202-225-4811.

PLEASE NOTE: All appropriations requests submitted to Congressman Blumenauer's office will be made public on his website, as required by the House Committee on Appropriations.

Project Details

1. **Project title:** Clackamas County Timber Town Turnaround Program

2. **Organization name and address** (the recipient of the funds):
Clackamas County
2051 Kaen road
Oregon City, OR 97045

3. **Contact information**
 - a. **Project's primary contact:** Elissa Gertler
 - b. **Daytime telephone number/ mobile phone number:** 503-742-5900
 - c. **Email Address:** elissager@co.clackamas.or.us
 - d. **Project location** (if different than organization's address):

4. **Please describe the requesting organization's main activities.**
Clackamas County is a public government.

5. **Is this organization a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity?**
Public.

6. **From what federal agency and account are you requesting funds (Please be specific –e.g., Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account)?**
Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

7. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (no more than 500 words).

Clackamas County's Timber Town Turnaround program guides the County's economic redevelopment investments towards Estacada and Molalla, our two historic timber towns. The first phase of Timber Town Turnaround centers on energy investments. The program will promote local energy security by investing in a) energy efficiency among neighborhoods and for industrial activities, b) studying sustainable local energy supplies, including biomass from working forest and agricultural lands, and c) identifying opportunities to integrate energy systems at scale to achieve further efficiencies.

During phase one, federal funds will be combined with existing state incentive programs, and Clackamas County's energy outreach and energy efficiency programs. More residents and small businesses will be able to access expanded energy efficiency programs, such as the County's low-interest energy efficiency loan program, part of the Clean Energy Works Oregon model, under development. By boosting the low-interest loan program, Clackamas County's investments will yield long-term savings and be re-invested many times in each community.

Clackamas County's energy efficiency program for businesses, known as Energy Efficiency on Main Street, provides a one-stop shop coordinating energy assessments, identification of incentives, and additional grants that complement state and federal incentives. This program will be expanded in Molalla and Estacada to include industrial clients, who will receive a comprehensive review of energy efficiency opportunities, and enhanced financial incentives for improvements such as advanced heat recovery, efficient boilers, motors, and HVAC, as well as lighting and building envelope improvements.

Subsequent phases will invest in the development of local energy supplies (especially biomass) and energy system integration, while tracking and deepening efficiency investments, and link these investments to recruitment of new employers.

8. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?

The purpose of this project is to revitalize the timber towns of Estacada and Molalla through investments in the community's energy resources (both efficiency and new supplies, including biomass), and in diversification of sustainable economic activity. The decline of the conventional timber industry on public and private lands has impacted Clackamas County generally, and its cities of Estacada and Molalla specifically. Estacada and Molalla for many years have faced a declining job base as priorities in public forest lands have shifted and timber jobs and the many jobs that supported those towns have declined.

The Timber Town Turnaround program builds the resilience of Clackamas County's timber towns based on their unique strengths, assets and identities, coupled with new investments and new applications of their resources. Their unique history and identity is preserved in ways that complement and strengthen new economic advantages. The program is rooted in a vision for sustainable rural communities.

9. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years?

No.

9a. If yes, please provide the fiscal year, Department, Account, and funding amount of any previous funding.

Funding Details

10. Amount requested for this project: \$600,000

11. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project (e.g., salary \$40,000; computer \$3,000):

These funds will be invested equally in residential, business and public sector-directed energy efficiency programs in Estacada and Molalla.

Industrial and large commercial investments:

Estacada - \$100,000

Molalla - \$100,000

Neighborhood investments:

Estacada - \$100,000

Molalla - \$100,000

Public sector investments:

Estacada - \$100,000

Molalla - \$100,000

12. What is the total cost of the project?

\$1.2 million

13. Is this project scalable (i.e., If partial funding is awarded, will the organization still be able to use the funds in FY 2011?)?

Yes.

14. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please be specific about funding sources and funding amounts)

The County will contribute \$600,000.

15. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project.

City of Molalla

City of Estacada

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